

BUSINESS COLLEGE IS LEASED BY STATE EDUCATOR

Professor James A. Smith, founder of the Smithsonian Business college, formerly the Intermountain Business college, and its active head for a quarter of a century, yesterday announced his retirement as a commercial school educator and the severing of his connection with the college by a lease of the well established institution to C. S. Springer of the University of Utah summer school faculty.

With the passing of the "dean" of Utah commercial school educators from active life in the school room where, in the past twenty-five years, he not only superintended the education of several thousands of students, but delved into his spacious storehouse of practical experience in the ways of life for their benefit, with the spirit of personal interest that is the basis of success in educational work.

The retiring commercial educator was not born with fame or riches, but what he considers next best, was born in Ohio. He went to the state of Iowa when a small boy and there received a common, ungraded country school education.

After four years of railroad work the young man, now married, became dissatisfied, asked to be relieved, and when one road demurred, turned the office over to another man, put his family into a covered wagon, drove with them three hundred miles westward, bought a farm and traded his traveling outfit for improvements.

Superintendent of Schools. Later, Mr. Smith was taken from his farm, elected to superintend one hundred schools, with one hundred twenty-five teachers, for four years, and then accepted the superintendency of city schools and high school principals for three years. Leaving the school work, he was editor and manager of a leading Republican newspaper for four years and left this work as unceremoniously as he did the railway office.

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out of the office, which he has never since seen. Loading his effects, including a large family, onto a train and putting a horse and three cows into the car with his furniture, the educator came to Ogden. This was in 1890 and, early the following year, believing the field to be ripe for the establishment of a commercial school and encouraged in the belief by the pioneer merchant Fred J. Kiesel and others, he established the Inter-Mountain Business college.

The growth of this school, now the Smithsonian college, is well known in the west, as students have been drawn from nearly every state west of the Mississippi river, as many as eight states being represented on its rolls in a single year. The first class of the Inter-Mountain college was composed of seven students and the school was conducted in a second floor room of the building now occupied by the Boy's Furniture company, at that time occupied by the W. H. Wright & Sons' company.

In 1897, the business of the W. H. Wright & Sons company having expanded until the company required the use of the rooms in which the school was located, the college was moved to the second floor of the Ogden Furniture & Carpet company building, which had been fitted up for the Y. M. C. A., but which could not be kept up by that organization.

This home was used for two years and then the expansion of the Ogden Furniture & Carpet company's business made another move necessary. The school was then taken to the second floor of the Mercer building on Twenty-fourth street, now the home of the Ogden labor unions, the entire floor was utilized for class rooms and the Inter-Mountain Business college prospered in this location for six years.

Professor Smith, having acquired property on Twenty-fourth street near Grant avenue, in the years that had passed since coming to Ogden, he built in 1905 the Smithsonian college at the rear of College Court, his home. Last year, this institution housed 297 students and for several years the average enrollment has been nearly three hundred, with a faculty of eight teachers.

During the early years of his school work, Professor Smith "burned the midnight oil" until he secured a life professional certificate to teach in any school in the state of Nebraska. He then took up a literary and normal course, which he pursued for four years, taking a diploma in 1888. Later he was granted the degree of M. S. from the I. W. U. of Iowa and an A. M. from the U. of Iowa. Thirty years ago, he was for four years secretary of the State Board of Educational Councils of Nebraska, and conducted the first successful county normal institute held in that state. In connection with this work, he wrote an article on "The Normal School" and read it before the State Superintendents and State Teachers' conventions. This was published in pamphlet form and became the groundwork of the county normal school work. Through it, the Ogden man gained the title of "The Father of the Normal County Institute Work" in Nebraska, by which he is still known to the educators in that state.

Though Professor Smith has lived in Ogden twenty-six years, he has never boasted of his scholarship and no one outside of his school rooms knew of his achievements in the field of education and the envied reputation of the Smithsonian college has been built solely on the merits of the work done in the institution.

During his time of residence in Ogden, the educator has not confined his activities solely to his commercial school but has tempered that work with service to the local congregation of the First Baptist church, of which he has been a leading member and officer. Due to his well-known spirit of optimism, illustrated by his motto as former president of the Smithsonian college, "I have no troubles, tell me yours," he is able to lay down his mantle of teacher, still in vigor and expectant of passing many more years in the city where, as he said this morning, he found his life's work and greatest pleasure.

MODERN WOODMEN AND ROYAL NEIGHBORS

All members of the Modern Woodmen and Royal Neighbors are earnestly requested to meet at the I. O. O. F. hall Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock sharp. Business of importance pertaining to both orders. Refreshments. Fred E. Williams, Consul, M. W. of A. Mrs. W. L. Crawford, Oracle R. N. of A.—Advertisement.

RESIDENT OF PROVO KILLED AT GARFIELD

Provo, July 31.—Karl A. Anderberg of this city died at Garfield at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon from injuries suffered about two hours before by falling from a scaffold, where he was working for the B. & G. railroad.

Mr. Anderberg was a native of Sweden and was born November 8, 1866. He came to Utah in 1880 and had since made his home in Provo. He is survived by his wife and seven children, two brothers and four sisters. The body was brought to Provo last evening.

WOMAN ARRESTED FOR FIGHTING

Salt Lake, Aug. 1.—Jane Doe Lute was arrested yesterday on a charge of assault and battery. It is said that the woman giving her name as Miss Lute met another woman on West Second South street and that after a short discussion an altercation resulted. The other woman was not brought to headquarters, she making her escape before the patrolmen arrived. Miss Lute declared last night that she was not guilty.

AUTO STRIKES POLE AND TWO ARE INJURED

Thelma Stone and George Brotherton were severely injured last night, when an automobile driven by the latter crashed into a telephone pole, at Cross street and Washington avenue. Miss Stone, who was riding in the rear seat, was thrown out of the car and against the street curb. She suffered a badly lacerated face and arms and possible internal injuries. Brotherton was thrown against the windshield of the car, which was broken, and suffered a deep cut on his left arm, a scratched face and bruises on the body.

The automobile, which was nearly demolished, was the property of R. B. Porter and was taken out by Brotherton without permission of the owner. The young man, who is employed by Mr. Porter as a chauffeur, had taken Mr. and Mrs. Porter to the Berthana hall early in the evening. According to Mr. Porter, he was instructed to take the automobile home and return at 9 o'clock. Instead of obeying the instructions, the chauffeur went to the home of Miss Stone at Five Points. At his invitation, the young lady got into the car and they started for the business district of the city. When in front of City Fire Department station No. 3, Brotherton lost control of the car and it crashed into the telephone pole.

Miss Stone was taken to her home immediately after the accident and was attended by a physician. The accident happened about 8:30 o'clock.

UTAH PROGRESSIVES FAVOR A TICKET

Salt Lake, Aug. 1.—Utah Progressive leaders decided last night to send a telegram to the Progressive conference in Indianapolis favoring the filling of the vacancy at the head of the Progressive national ticket.

They met at the office of W. D. Livingston, chairman of the state executive committee. The framing of the telegram was left to a subcommittee, which will dispatch the message today. It probably will not suggest any names for the head of the ticket at this time.

The decision to send the message was reached after it was decided that the time was too short and the distance too far to send any representative to the Indianapolis conference, called by Mathew Hale, acting chairman of the Progressive national committee, to meet August 3.

Besides this matter, the Progressive discussed informally the prospects for an alliance on state and county tickets with the Democrats. What took place at the latest conference, held yesterday, of the unofficial conference committees of Progressive and Democrats was reported. No agreement has yet been reached by the unofficial conferences.

DISQUALIFIED MEN ARE COMING BACK

Salt Lake, Aug. 1.—Twenty-two men of the Utah battery who were unable to pass the rigid physical requirements of the United States army have been sent home from Nogales.

One of them said last night that there wasn't one of the number that did not want to stay with the guardsmen on duty at the border, but that so strict are the government tests that the slightest disability disqualifies one from service.

A letter written by an officer to Adjutant General E. A. Wedgwood says that 200 horses arrived on Saturday for the cavalry and that the troops on the border are in the best of physical condition. The only thing needed on the border is more men, the officer concludes.

Lieutenants Foster, King and Cannon will make a recruiting trip to Davis county this week to arouse interest in that section. An account of letters sent to prominent men in the county it is expected that the response will be very favorable.

Up to the present time but thirty-three families have asked for assistance because of the absence at the border of their providers. The committee in charge has cared for twenty-eight families in Salt Lake City and for five more in the county. No assistance has been asked of the Rotary club committee from points outside of Salt Lake county.

More than \$5000 has been raised by the committee for immediate relief, with assurances of a fund of \$25,000 if the need should arise for that amount. P. J. Moran, chairman of the committee, said yesterday that provision would be made for every family deprived of support by reason of service of the provider on the border with the national guard. He has asked that families of guardsmen who are in want communicate with the committee.



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"This, with the officer board of \$45.00 (three company officers at \$15.00 each), will give us a nice start for the first month on government rations. It is also having its effect on the command. The men are feeling fine, are in good spirits and willing to work. We have no horses yet, but don't need them; plenty to learn dismounted. However, there will be 200 head in Nogales tomorrow, July 24th.

DEMOCRATS MEET FOR CONFERENCE

Salt Lake, Aug. 1.—For several hours last night the Democratic state executive committee mulled over plans for the state nominating convention at Ogden, August 15, without

mentioning any candidates for the nominations. The committee gathered to hear the draft of a tentative state platform to be submitted to the convention by way of suggestion. This draft had been prepared by five of the members, and provoked much discussion. It will come up again at another meeting of the committee August 10, when the temporary officers of the convention will be nominated.

The committee had thought to attend to this matter last night, but the discussion over the platform took up so much time that the lateness of the hour made adjournment necessary before the subject was reached.

Except that the tentative draft of a platform contains planks eulogizing President Wilson and the acts of the national administration, and a tentative plank for prohibition, nothing of the contents was revealed by the Democratic leaders who were in attendance at the meetings.

Among them were a considerable number of those Democrats who have been "suggested" by their followers from time to time as possible candidates for governor. Some of them were broached with the inquiry as to whether they would become candidates, and without exception they answered in firm disavowals.

Senator J. W. Funk of Cache county explained the dearth of avowed candidates by remarking with a smile that "the Democrats believe in the office seeking the man." The senator, by the way, was one of the possibilities who disclaimed that he was a candidate. Among others to whom the question was put before the group broke up were Dr. Joseph F. Merrill and Judge C. C. Richards of Ogden.

reil, Mathouiah Thomas, Stephen L. Richards, A. W. Ivins, and Harden Bennion of Uintah county. The meeting of the executive committee last night was held at the Hotel Utah, with a large attendance. "We must have backward candidates," observed State Chairman S. R. Thurman, "but I do not recall as year when the Democrats of Utah felt as confident and optimistic as we do this year."

DRAMATIC SCENE AT GREEK HORSE SHOW

Athens, July 31.—(Correspondence of The Associated Press.)—A dramatic moment marked a military horse show given recently in the stadium. The jumping and riding exhibitions were over. The white-skirted czornas had marched impressively past the royal tribune, and two regiments of soldiers were drawn up before King Constantine and Queen Sophie to sing Greek folk lore. Several songs passed pleasantly enough. Then there came one about the exploits of Constantine Paleologue, Emperor of Byzantium.

Even to those who could not understand the words there was something stirring in the martial lines. And when a thousand voices rang out: "The Warrior King Unsheathe His Sword," suddenly the whole mass blackening the gleaming marble of the stadium rose as of one impulse, applauding and crying out: "Yes! Yes! The Warrior King Will Unsheathe His Sword!" and craning their necks to see their sovereign, their warrior king of today.

Constantine I sat erect and rigid in his smart, white uniform—a handsome, martial figure himself. He heard; but he made no movement. His left hand grasped the hilt of his sword. But the sword remained unsheathed, and the song went on. Only when the king had gone and the crowd was pouring down the street that runs in front of the royal residence, some man shouted that it was shameful that the applause for the king had been paid for by German money.

A crowd gathered instantly. There was a shout. An officer cut the man who had shouted in the head with his sabre. A score of secret police sprang up in a moment and the offender (not the officer) was hustled off through an unfinished building, down back streets, to jail.

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